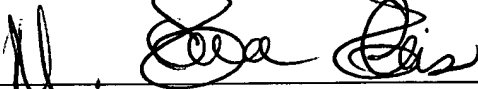


**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application Number : 10/734,517 Confirmation No. 9983  
Filing Date : December 12, 2003  
Inventor(s) : Benjamin Atkin, et al.  
Title : ULTRASONIC DENTAL INSERT HAVING A HAND GRIP FITTED TO  
A RETAINING RING  
  
Group Art Unit : 3732  
Examiner Name : Cary E. O'Connor  
Docket No. : 51292/RAG/D359 Date: March 23, 2005

**MAIL TO: Mail Stop RCE**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

This application is **not** an application of the kind specified in 37 CFR § 1.114(e).

**1. THE STATUS OF THE APPLICATION IS AS FOLLOWS:**

- a. ☒ Pending (no review proceedings active)
- (1) ☒ An Action was mailed by the Office on December 23, 2004, as to which no appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed and
- \_\_\_\_\_ a response under 37 CFR § 1.116 was mailed on
- \_\_\_\_\_ via Express Mail
- \_\_\_\_\_ with certificate of mailing under 37 CFR § 1.8
- ☒ that Action was a Final Rejection, the finality of which is to be withdrawn by this Request
- \_\_\_\_\_ an appeal or civil action under 35 U.S.C. 141, 145 or 146 has been terminated
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Allowed: the Notice of Allowance was mailed by the Office on
- \_\_\_\_\_ the Issue Fee has not been paid
- \_\_\_\_\_ the Issue Fee has been paid **and** a petition under 37 CFR § 1.313 was granted on
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ Pending (with review proceeding active)
- An appeal under 37 CFR § 1.191 has been filed. **Applicant(s) hereby withdraw that appeal and request reopening of the prosecution of the application.**

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**2. SUBMISSION(S) REQUIRED (check at least one)**

**a. Previously submitted**

- ☐ Consider the amendments/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal or Reply Brief previously filed on  
☐ Other:

**b. Enclosed**


- ☒ Amendment/Reply  
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ Documents under 37 CFR § 1.48  
☐ Petition for Extension of Time  
☐ Other:

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned promptly following receipt and initial review of the application in light of the Submissions(s) for the conduct of, or the scheduling of, a telephone interview in the application.

Please direct all correspondence to **CUSTOMER NUMBER 23363**. Direct telephone calls to 626/795-9900, **CHRISTIE, PARKER & HALE, LLP, P.O. Box 7068, Pasadena, CA 91109-7068**.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
FEE CALCULATION SHEET

Application No. 10/734,517

PART I — BASIC FEE			
BASIC FEE	Small Entity \$395.00	Large Entity \$790.00	\$790

PART II — ADDITIONAL CLAIMS (compared to application before RCE)						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims	25	*23	2	- x \$25.00	2 x \$50.00	\$100
Independent Claims	5	**3	2	- x \$100.00	2 x \$200.00	\$400
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				\$180.00	\$360.00	0
TOTAL CLAIMS FEE						\$500
List Independent Claims: 1, 2, 14, 18, 25						
* IF THE "HIGHEST NUMBER OF TOTAL CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR" IS LESS THAN 20, WRITE "20" IN THIS SPACE.						
** IF THE HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID OR IS 3 OR LESS, WRITE "3" IN THIS SPACE.						

1. FEES (The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

a. Amount (total from Fee Calculation Sheet)

A check for \$1,290 is enclosed.

- b. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required for this transaction to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A duplicate copy hereof is enclosed.

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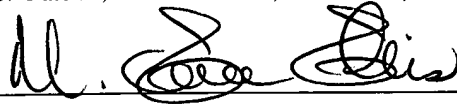
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**AMENDMENT FILED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of December 23, 2005,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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